

## INFAMOUS INMATES CONTINUED

**Morris Solomon** – is the Oak Park serial killer and rapist. He had an 18 year killing spree in the Sacramento area, killing at least 6 women, 5 of which were found buried in his back yard. He received a death sentence.

**Richard Hirschfield** – is the “Sweetheart Killer” who is currently housed in the Main Jail and standing trial for the 1980 murders of John Riggins and his girlfriend Sabrina Gonsalves. Both were abducted from Davis and their bodies were found in a wooded area off of Folsom Blvd in the county of Sacramento. It took over 20 years for him to be connected to the murders. Hirschfield is facing two counts of murder and if convicted faces the death penalty.

**Eric Leonard** – is “The Thrill Killer” who was housed at the Main Jail from 1991 until 1996. He was charged with killing 6 people in three separate shooting sprees during a two week period. He was convicted and is now on Death Row.

**Michelle Cummiskey** – is the “Batgirl” who was housed at the Main Jail from 1991 until 1994. Cummiskey was convicted of wildly stabbing to death her 58 year old boyfriend and then stealing his Mercedes. She was caught in Biloxi, Mississippi driving a U-Haul truck with the Mercedes inside. She was called the Batgirl because of a tattoo of bats around one of her arms. She was featured in People Magazine.

## INMATE CLASSIFICATION DEFINITIONS

**Total Separation (T-SEP):** Inmates are very violent towards officers, other inmates, or are major discipline problems. They are housed alone in a 2-bunk cell or in a single bunk cell in the 400 pod of either 7 or 8 West if necessary. Some T-Seps may also be classified due to former peace officer status or because they are related in some way to peace officers and need to be separated from other inmates for their own protection.

**Administrative Segregation (AD-SEG):** Generally these inmates have an inability to program in general population housing. They are argumentative with other inmates and never get along with their cellmates. Often they are threatening, but rarely act out on the threats they make. This is also a status sometimes employed for consistent discipline problem inmates. It is a first step towards T-Sep status if they are unable to stop their constant rule breaking. This classification of inmate may be placed on Ad-Seg status for 30-day observation. If they receive no additional write-ups during their 30 days of administrative segregation, they may be allowed to return to general population housing.

**Protective Custody (PC):** Inmates in this classification often fear for their safety from other inmates and wish to be kept separate from them. This may be due to their charges (often rapists, child molesters, 290 registrants (sex offenders), etc.) or may be due to their status as former gang members or “drop outs.” Inmates that fear for their safety for other reasons may also be placed in PC status. For instance, an inmate who “rolls” on another inmate or who is labeled as a snitch may ask to be a PC.

**Protective Segregation (P-SEG):** This is a rarely used classification that is typical for pre-op or post-op transsexuals. Such inmates are housed separately from other inmates, but are housed in the population of the sex to which they were born. Male to Female transsexuals are housed on male floors and Female to Male on the female floor.

**Out Patient Psychiatric (OPP):** Psychiatric inmates who are not 5150 (an immediate threat to themselves or others or gravely disabled) but who are unable to program in general population housing.

AD-SEGS, OPPs, PCs, and P-SEGS's may be allowed out together for program (dayroom, etc.), but T-SEP inmates are never allowed out of their cells with any other inmates.

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# Sacramento County Sheriff's Department

## Main Jail Division



# Tour Information Brochure

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## Welcome From the Commander



Welcome to the Main Jail!

This is an exciting opportunity for us to showcase our facility and personnel to you. The Main Jail is a dynamic place and employs the most highly qualified and trained personnel to oversee its operations. Each employee is committed to excellence and ensuring their duties are carried out with a high degree of professionalism. I am extremely proud of the outstanding hard work and dedication these men and women display on a daily basis.

I am confident this tour will be able to provide you valuable insight about some of the internal operations of our facility. As you go through the tour, your host officer will be happy to answer any questions you may have. It is our goal to continue to reach beyond the walls of the jail to foster positive partnerships with the community.

Once again, I would like to thank you for your interest in the Main Jail and welcome you to our facility.

Enjoy your tour!

Captain Rosanne Richeal  
Commander, Main Jail Division

## MISSION STATEMENT

***The Mission of the Sacramento County Main Jail is to ensure public safety by the secure detention of those persons committed to our custody. We will also ensure that those persons committed to our custody are provided a safe and humane environment with treatment consistent toward that end.***

## Main Jail Facts

### HISTORY

From 1850-1855, the Sacramento County Jail was a bark barge that floated on the river and was moored at I Street on the Sacramento River. Between 1850 and 1855, the county used 3 different ships: the "Strafford," the "Sterling," and finally, the "La Grange." The "La Grange" sunk in the flood waters of 1861-'62 after barely being evacuated of prisoners. Since then, the county jail has never been afloat.

The first "landlocked" courthouse jail was built at the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> & I Streets and was used from 1855 to 1912. In 1912, a new courthouse was constructed out of granite on H Street, between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets, with an original contract price of \$100,600. However, the total cost of the building exceeded \$230,000. It was expanded in 1958 and included the Sheriff's Administration office, which was moved to its current location at 711 G Street in 1973.

Construction on the new Main Jail, located at 651 I Street, began in July 1984 and it was completed in 1989. Construction costs for this jail amounted to \$80 million dollars.

### INMATE POPULATION

- 1, 252 total cells
- Maximum capacity of 2,432 inmates
- Daily average population of 2,400 inmates
- 90% of inmate population is in custody for felonies
- Average length of incarceration for an inmate in this facility is 31 days

In addition to the pre-trial inmates, the jail also houses 400-450 Federal inmates for the United States Marshals Office, and up to 80 Federal inmates for Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Inmates are also held for State Prison extradition and new State Prison commitments. Approximately 120 of the males housed here are sentenced. The majority of these are the jail trustees. There are approximately 324 females housed in this facility.

### STAFFING

- Staffed by 367 employees
- 254 sworn employees
- 113 civilian staff

These numbers do not include the full time (24 hour) medical and psychiatric staff.

### OPERATIONS

- Annual cost of operation is \$64 million (\$33 million in personnel costs)
- Average of 135 bookings per day
- Approximately 500 visitors per day
- Daily housing fee for outside agencies is \$77.17
- Over 8,000 meals prepared/served to inmates per day at a cost of just under \$3.50 per inmate per day

### LORENZO E. PATINO HALL OF JUSTICE

The Lorenzo E. Patino Hall of Justice occupies a portion of the Main Jail's first floor. It consists of four courtrooms and handles an average of 6,800 court cases per month. The majority of the defendants are in custody and housed at the jail.

### INFAMOUS INMATES HOUSED AT THE MAIN JAIL

**Theodore Kaczynski** - is the "The Unabomber" who from 1978 to 1995 sent 16 bombs to targets including universities and airlines, killing three people and injuring 23. His brother recognized his style of writing and beliefs in his manifesto and tipped off the FBI. To avoid the death penalty, Kaczynski entered into a plea agreement under which he pled guilty and was sentenced to life in prison with no possibility of parole.

**Nicolay Soltys** - is the 27 year old Ukrainian Immigrant suspected of stabbing to death his pregnant wife, children, and four other family members. After a 10-day nationwide manhunt Soltys was captured in his mother's backyard hiding under a desk. Despite custody monitoring efforts, Soltys eventually took his own life by hanging himself inside his cell.

**Dorothea Puente** - is the 63 year old woman who ran a boarding house for the elderly, charged with killing 9 of her tenants; 7 were found buried in her yard. She was convicted on 3 of the 9 charges and was serving two life sentences without the possibility of parole. Puente (who is supposedly a good cook) was interviewed by Shane Bugbee who wrote "Cooking with a Serial Killer." It contains 50 recipes and some of her art work. She died in prison in March 2011.